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In the Claims:

Please amend the claim set as indicated below:

Claim 1. (Currently amended) A tool for the removal of weeds and/or debris from grates, anchors, propellers, motors and platforms attached or a part of aquatic vehicles comprising:

- a) an elongated curved rod having an arc of curvature;
- b) a multi ridged hand grip section at one end of the rod; and
- c) a weed and/or debris removing tined section at the other end of the rod, said tined section including a plurality of tines, wherein the plurality of tines project substantially out from the rod in a plane substantially containing the arc of curvature of the rod.

Claim 2. (Currently amended) The tool of claim 1 further including an aperture opening at the end of the multi ridged hand grip handles-section for a strap or chain for added security and leverage and storage options.

Claim 3. (Original) The tool of claim 1 constructed and arranged to float.

Claim 4. (Currently amended) A tool for the removal of weeds and/or debris from grates, anchors, propellers, motors and platforms attached or a part of aquatic vehicles comprising:

- a) an elongated curved rod having a hand grip end and an arc of curvature;
- b) cross-hatched ridges at the hand grip end of the rod; and
- c) two tines connected by a brace bar protruding from a tined section of the rod, said tined section including a plurality of tines, wherein the plurality of tines project substantially out from the rod in a plane substantially containing the arc of curvature of the rod.

Claim 5. (Currently amended) The tool of claim 4 further having a round boring hole located towards the end of the handle grip end for a strap or chain for added ~~security~~ security and leverage and storage options.

Claim 6. (Original) The tool of claim 4 constructed and arranged to float.

Claim 7. (New) The tool of claim 1, wherein no tines extend from the rod in a direction substantially outside the arc of curvature of the rod.

Claim 8. (New) The tool of claim 1, wherein the plurality of tines are designed such that each tine of the plurality of tines has an end attached to the elongated curved rod and an end

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unattached to the rod, a brace bar protruding from between the end attached to the rod and the end unattached to the rod of a tine protrudes to a portion of an adjacent tine.

Claim 9. (New) A tool for the removal of weeds and/or debris from grates, anchors, propellers, motors and platforms attached or a part of aquatic vehicles comprising:

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- a) an elongated curved rod having an arc of curvature;
- b) a multi ridged hand grip section at one end of the rod;
- c) a weed and/or debris removing tined section at the other end of the rod, said tined section including tines, wherein the tines project substantially out from the rod in a plane substantially containing the arc of curvature of the rod; and
- d) the tines designed such that each tine has one end attached to the elongated curved rod and an end unattached to the rod, the end unattached to the rod having a protuberance.